Quantity of import for penicillin

2854. DR. G. VIJAYA MOHAN REDDY:

SHRI YALLA SESI BHUSHANA RAO:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 3727 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 29th August, 1988 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that import of over 150 MMU of Potassium Penicillin V has been allowed to one small scale sector unit;

(b) if so, on what basis the information has been provided and what is the correct position;

(c) whether it is a fact that there is no indigenous production of Penicillin-V;

(d) if so, how the said ratio of 70 : 30 between indigenous production and imports is being complied with;

(e) what are the reasons for not recovering the difference of amount users of imported Penicillin V for the production of 6 APA;

(f) whether it is a fact that the difference at the rate of Rs. 210/- per Kg BU comes to around rupees three crore; and

(g) if so, what steps have been taken in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGALRAO): (a) to (g) One company, namely M/s. Jagsonpal Pharmaceuticals Limited have been granted Import Licence for import of 75 MMU of Pen 'V' so far and this company is also required to lift the indigenous component as and when it is available at 70:30 ratio.

Pit Safety Committee

2855. SHRI SAMAR MUKHERJEE: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Pit Safety Committee has been formed at Amlai Colliery under South Eastern Coalfields Limited, Bilaspur;

(b) if so, what are the names of the Unions which have been nominated in the said Pit Safety Committee;

(c) whether minutes of Pit Safety Committee meetings are supplied to all the participating unions; and

(d) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF COAL IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI C. K. JAFFAR SHARIEF): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Trade Unions nominated in the Pit Safety Committee at Amlai Colliery of South Eastern Coalfields Limited are Centre of Indian Trade Union, Rashtriya Koyla Khadan Mazdoor Sangh, Sanyukta Koyla Khadan Mazdoor Sangh, Bhartiya Koyla Khadan Mazdoor Sangh and Madhya Pradesh Koyla Mazdoor Sabha.

(c) and (d) At present the minutes of the meeting are displayed on Colliery Notice Board. These are, however, discussed and reviewed in detail in the subsequent meeting with all participants of the Committee. It has been decided to circulate the minutes to each participant also henceforth.

Payment to contractors of CIL

2856. SHRI SAMAR MUKHERJEE: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details regarding rules and procedures of payment to contractor's workers in different subsidiary companies of Coal India Limited;

(b) whether this payment is made in presence of representatives of colliery management;

(c) if so, whether the contractor submits the duplicate wage-sheet to the colliery management; and

(d) if not, what are the reasons therefor and the corrective steps being taken by Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF COAL IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI C. K. JAFFAR SHARIEF): (a) Payment of wages to the contractor's workers is regulated by the terms of their employment with the contractors, subject to the provisions of the Minimum Wages Act, the Contract Labour (Regulation and Abolition) Act and other relevant laws.

(b) This is a legal requirement under the Contract Labour (Regulation and Abolition) Act, 1970, compliance of which is watched by Inspectors appointed under the said Act. The coal companies have also issued instructions to the colliery managers for compliance of the provisions of law in this regard.

(c) and (d) There is no provision in the Contract Labour (Regulation and Abolition) Act requiring submission of duplicate wage sheets to the Principal Employer by the contractors.

Target of coal production

2857. SHRI JAGADISH JANI: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) the target of coal production projected for the Seventh Five Year Plan period;

(b) the achievement made in the production of coal so far, year-wise; and

(c) the efforts made by Government to achieve the coal production target set for the Seventh Plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF COAL IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI C. K. JAFFAR SHARIEF): (a) According to the mid-term appraisal by the Planning Commission, the target of coal production for the terminal year (1989-90) of the 7th Five Year Plan is 212 million tonnes.

(b) The year-wise production of coal against the targets of coal production during the first four years of 7th plan are indicated below:—

(in million tonnes)

Year	Target	Production
1985–86.	154.50	154.20
1986–87.	166.80	165.77
1987–88.	183.50	179.75
1988–89.	196.28	96.60 (upto Oct. 1988)

(c) As will be seen from above, the production of coal during the first three years of the Seventh Five Year Plan has been broadly in line with the targets. The efforts made in this direction include opening of new mines, modernisation of existing mines and creation of necessary infrastructural facilities to optimise the coal production.

New coal reserves

2858. SHRI JAGADISH JANI: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have conducted any survey to find out new coal reserves in the country;

(b) whether any such survey was conducted in Orissa during the last three years; and

(c) if so, what are the details of the new coal reserves found in Orissa and elsewhere during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF COAL IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI C. K. JAFFAR SHARIEF): (a) Yes, Sir. Regional exploration for locating new coal reserves in the country are conducted by the Geological Survey of India.